## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AMARILLO DIVISION

ALLIANCE FOR HIPPOCRATIC MEDICINE, on behalf of itself, its member organizations, their

on behalf of itself, its member organizations, their members, and these members' patients;

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PRO-LIFE OBSTETRICIANS AND GYNECOLOGISTS, on behalf of itself, its members, and their patients; AMERICAN COLLEGE OF PEDIATRICIANS, on behalf of itself, its members, and their patients; CHRISTIAN MEDICAL & DENTAL ASSOCIATIONS, on behalf of itself, its members and their patients; SHAUN JESTER, D.O., on behalf of himself and his patients; REGINA FROST-CLARK, M.D., on behalf of herself and her patients; TYLER JOHNSON, D.O., on behalf of himself and his patients; and GEORGE DELGADO, M.D., on behalf of himself and his patients,

Plaintiffs,

v.

U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION;
ROBERT M. CALIFF, M.D., in his official
capacity as Commissioner of Food and Drugs, U.S.
Food and Drug Administration; JANET
WOODCOCK, M.D., in her official capacity as
Principal Deputy Commissioner, U.S. Food and
Drug Administration; PATRIZIA CAVAZZONI,
M.D., in her official capacity as Director, Center for
Drug Evaluation and Research, U.S. Food and Drug
Administration; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES; and
XAVIER BECERRA, in his official capacity as
Secretary, U.S. Department of Health and Human
Services.

Defendants.

Case No. 2:22-cy-00223-z

# MOTION OF CONCERNED WOMEN FOR AMERICA FOR LEAVE TO FILE A BRIEF AS AMICUS CURIAE IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' COMPLAINT AND MOTION FOR TEMPORARY INJUNCTION

Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 7 and Local Rule 83.10, movant Concerned Women for America (CWA) respectfully moves for the Court to waive the requirements of Local Rule 83.10(a) to obtain local counsel who resides or has a principal office located within 50 miles of the courthouse for the purpose of submitting an *amicus* brief in support of Plaintiff's Complaint and Motion for Temporary Injunction.

#### **INTEREST OF MOVANT**

In support of this Motion, we present for the Court's consideration that CWA is a national, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with hundreds of thousands of members around the country, and thousands in the state of Texas. Through its grassroots organization, CWA encourages policies that strengthen women and families and advocates for the traditional virtues that are central to America's cultural health and welfare. Its members are people whose voices are often overlooked— everyday, middle-class American women whose views are not represented by the powerful elite.

One of CWA's seven core issues is the sanctity of every human life as intrinsically valuable and created in the image of God. As the nation's largest public policy organization for women, we represent the views and values of a significant group of women who want to protect life from conception to natural death, and who are also committed to the dignity and safety of all mothers, regardless of personal beliefs or circumstances. As such, CWA is deeply concerned about the significant practical public policy consequences of the outcome of this case.

#### FACTS SUPPORTING THE GRANT OF AMICUS CURIAE STATUS

Concerned Women for America has been involved in protecting women's interests against

U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) mishandling of relevant data when it comes to the

approval of chemical abortion drugs for many years. See Ass'n of Am. Physicians v. FDA, 358 F.

App'x 179, 181 (D.C. Cir. 2009), and Ass'n of Am. Physicians & Surgeons, Inc. v. Food & Drug

Admin., 539 F. Supp. 2d 4 (D.D.C. 2008), among others. We are confident CWA's unique

perspective and experience as a public policy organization representing ordinary women can aid

the Court in weighting the public interests at play as it considers the legal requirements for issuing

a preliminary injunction. See Louisiana v. Becerra, 20 F.4th 260, 262 (5th Cir. 2021).

As a nonprofit organization CWA's resources are limited and our interest in this case is

focused on presenting an *amicus* brief in support of Plaintiffs, so that local counsel would not be

necessary beyond that.

**CONCLUSION** 

For the foregoing reasons, Movant, Concerned Women for America respectfully requests

that this Court enter an order waiving Local Rule 83.10(a)'s local counsel requirement for

purposes of a motion for leave to file the accompanying amicus curiae brief.

Respectfully submitted, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023.

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On this 10th day of February 2023.

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